



**Court Alcohol and Drug Program
Advisory Committee
(CADPAC)
February 15, 2008**

Meeting Minutes

I. WELCOME & ATTENDANCE This meeting was held at the Indiana Judicial Center.

A. Welcome – Judge Frances Gull welcomed everyone and introductions were made. Ms. Sterling was welcomed to her first meeting.

B. Attendance:

- 1. Members Present:** Hon. Frances C. Gull, Hon. Robert J. Tornatta, Hon. Bob A. Witham, Hon. Rebekah Pierson-Treacy, Hon. Thomas C. Perrone, Ms. Debra Jenkins, Ms. Wanda Harper, and Ms. Judy Sterling.
- 2. IJC Staff:** Ms. Lisa White, Ms. Lori Harmon, Ms. Jen Weber and Mr. DuAne Young

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Ms. Harper/Judge Tornatta moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as written.

The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. OLD BUSINESS – REPORTS

A. Certification Subcommittee –

- 1. Placement Criteria** – The workgroup has been meeting and is being chaired by Jodi Rittman. The group has been working diligently but has not yet completed so they do not have a recommendation at this time.
- 2. CSAMS Test Revision** – Judge Gull reported that the work group has completed revising the questions. The test is currently in the process of validation. There is a concern about the number of candidates available to take the exam. A minimum of 50 people are required and currently 21 have taken the test.
- 3. Certification Update** – Judge Gull stated that the subcommittee is currently reviewing the certification process for areas of improvement. The group would like to entertain suggestions and ideas including praises and complaints from the programs. Ms. Harmon provided a report on the current certification status of the programs.

B. Policy Subcommittee:

1. **Juvenile A/D programs/Partnerships** - Judge Perrone reported that the committee is continuing to discuss issues regarding CHINS/juvenile programming. The subcommittee recognizes that this would be a huge commitment and that there are several key issues to consider. The subcommittee is continuing to gather logistical information and is not taking further action until this process is complete. Ms. Weber stated that there has been some discussion as to how A/D programs might partner with Problem-Solving Courts on CHINS cases in order to best utilize existing resources – this comes at the increasing request by judges ordering parents in CHINS proceedings to A&D programs, and a survey conducted by the subcommittee in early 2007. She stated that there are currently two task forces working on a standardized screening tool for juveniles for mental health and substance abuse issues, the American Bar Association and the Division of Mental Health and Addiction. It was discussed that while A/D programs are being seen as a community resource, IJC needs to be cautious in sanctioning the expansion of program services for juvenile or non-criminal justice clients such as parents in CHINS cases, due to concerns such as staff training and the availability of appropriate assessment and educational tools. It was noted that proposed legislation during the last session, that would make parents involved in CHINS proceedings eligible for participation in IJC-certified Drug Courts failed to get out of study committee in the last session of the General Assembly.
2. **Transfer Guidelines** – Judge Perrone stated that in light of the proposed intra-state probation transfers rules, the subcommittee is planning on conducting a brief survey of program directors and supervising judges concerning program transfer policies at the Annual Meeting. The sub-committee has decided not to recommend a rule change, at this time, but is working on developing guidelines and forms to facilitate A/D program transfers.

C. Education Subcommittee

1. **2008 Annual Meeting** – Mr. Young reported as Judge Rush was unable to attend due to illness. Mr. Young stated that the last meeting was held via teleconference. The agenda for this year's conference will be a little different with all break-out sessions being on Thursday and with two general sessions scheduled for Friday. The agenda was adjusted to accommodate that of the speakers. As in previous years there will be two advanced sessions on Friday, which will result 12.25 CEU being available to attendees. Attendance should be increased over prior years as Marion County staff will now be allowed to attend both days. Registration indicates that all but 1 program will be represented at the training this year. Mr. Young described the administrative meeting as focusing on the recommendations of the statistics project as to program improvement.
2. **CSAMS Training** – Mr. Young reported that the training schedule was delayed due to the sessions now being conducted at the new IJC office and timelines in reserving space. The training will now be conducted in-house, by staff and will utilize the conference rooms on the 8th floor. This will mean that the program staff may attend with no tuition charge to the counties. When conducted by the contractors the tuition ranged from \$200 to \$225 per session. In order to cover these costs, many programs were utilizing their one per year IJC scholarship opportunity. The change will result in a savings to the programs and will also encourage the use of scholarship funds for extraordinary training opportunities.

D. Association Reports

ICCADS Update –Ms. Harper reported in the absence of Mr. Burns. She stated that the last meeting was on February 8th. The association has decided to conduct one training this year instead of two. The training is scheduled for October 8-10 at Brown County State Park. Topics have not yet been determined. Ms. Harper stated that the organization is currently working on developing an A/D directory to include the services that are provided in each county. Once completed IJC has agreed to post a link on their website. Ms. Harper invited everyone to attend, or send staff representatives to the regular monthly meetings that are held the second Friday at the Indiana Government Center, room 21.

IV. Old BUSINESS

Judge Gull asked about the statistics project and the response from the programs to the report from University of Cincinnati. It was discussed that there will need to be a report from IJC at administrative meeting as to what they will be doing in response to this information.

There was no other old business.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Weber reported that Alcoholic Beverage Bill was held over this week to draft in 5 amendments. This bill includes mandatory sentences for DUI offenders. She stated that this session has moved more slowly than usual due to the focus on property tax issues. She stated that the CHINS drug court legislation did not pass and that the session will adjourn at the end of the month and a second reading will need to occur by that time.

There was no other new business.

V. NEXT MEETING **1:00 PM Friday, May 16, 30 South Conference Center**
(8th Floor).**VI. ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned by Judge Gull at 1:55 p.m.